IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: R. Pitaro
MASANORI ARITOMI)	
	:	Art Unit: 2174
Application No.: 10/021,248)	
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 18, 2006, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows. The claims are listed beginning at page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 8.